



## **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

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### **ARRA FUNDED IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BEGINS ON SALEM RD INTERSECTION**

COVINGTON – Work has begun on the Salem Road/Spring Road intersection improvement project funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The \$820 thousand project has a contract completion date of December 31, 2010.

The contractor, Pittman Construction, will widen State Route 162/Salem Road and relocate County Road 33/Spring Road to provide turn lanes. In addition, a traffic signal will be installed at this intersection.

Motorists are advised to slow down and use extra caution in this and all work zones.

The ARRA is a national effort to create jobs and transform America's economy to compete in the 21st century. Nationwide, some \$48 billion is going to transportation infrastructure. Georgia DOT has created a Web page ([www.dot.ga.gov/gastimulus](http://www.dot.ga.gov/gastimulus)) devoted to stimulus activities.

The Georgia Department of Transportation is committed to providing a safe, seamless and sustainable transportation system that supports Georgia's economy and is sensitive to both its citizens and its environment. Additional transportation revenues are imperative to grow and sustain Georgia's economic vitality and quality of life through the 21st Century. Georgia is the 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest-growing state in the nation, yet 49<sup>th</sup> in per capita spending on transportation. For general information on the Georgia DOT, please visit our Web site ([www.dot.ga.gov](http://www.dot.ga.gov)).

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